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Special Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairman: Mr. Michael John **Powles** (New Zealand)

1. The Credentials Committee held a special meeting on 4 December 1998 to examine the credentials of the representatives of Cambodia.

2. The representative of the Legal Counsel made a statement bringing to the attention of the Committee the fact that, on 2 December 1998, the Secretary-General had received a letter communicated by facsimile signed by His Royal Highness King Norodom Sihanouk presenting the credentials of the representatives of Cambodia to the fifty-third session of the General Assembly.

3. The Chairman proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee on the understanding that the formal credentials of the representatives of Cambodia would be communicated to the Secretary-General as soon as possible:

"*The Credentials Committee*,

"*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives of Cambodia to the fifty-third session of the General Assembly,

"*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of Cambodia."

4. The draft resolution proposed by the Chairman was adopted without a vote.

5. The Chairman then proposed that the Committee should recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution (see para. 7 below). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

6. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the General Assembly.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

7. The Credentials Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the special report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

Approves the special report of the Credentials Committee.